

A baseball season runs over six months and it is too much to expect men to keep keyed to fighting pitch throughout this period. A slump is a certainty. The more the men have to do before the opening of the season, the more certain and more durable is the slump. The team goes into the start of the season at the pitch it should reach through July and August.

Result, when the hot months are reached, the players shrivel up, droop before the opposition and are trampled on.

Already there are rumblings of discontent among the Cubs and the junket has three more weeks to run.

Rollie Zeider and Herb Hunter are getting a bit of drill at second base for the first team. If Doyle is to be out for any length of time Hunter should be pushed in their daily. He is young and his pep and enthusiasm will be needed.

Commodore Barrys, two-time champions of the American Bowling Congress, could only knock 2,727 pins at Grand Rapids last night. G. W. May of Fort Wayne knocked 693 pins for second place in the singles. Herman Steinmiller of Chicago edged into eighth place in the singles with 675. Myer and Waldecker of St. Louis started their doubles effort with 511, the highest score ever made in a doubles game in tournament play, and followed with 413. Then they slumped dismally and finished with 1,256 for seventh position.

In their training camp yesterday the Brooklyn Dodgers voted against military drill. The National league champions haven't been doing any work they could escape this spring. Zach Wheat, outfielder, is still a hold-out and has left Hot Springs for his home after a final conference with President Ebbets.

A report from St. Louis says Branch Rickey, business manager of the Browns, will be offered the presidency of the reorganized Cardinals

when that club is purchased from Mrs. Britton.

George Chaney knocked out Larry Hansen in the fourth round at Baltimore. Chaney went down for the nine count in the second, but came back strong and battered the Dane.

Jack Dillon stopped Jack Moran in the sixth round at Memphis. Moran was badly punished and the referee stopped the bout.

Kid Lewis knocked Willie Moore cold in the first round at New York. Moore had to be carried from the ring.

Joe Rivers knocked out Johnnie O'Leary in the 11th round at Columbus, O. O'Leary took the bout on five days' notice and was not in fighting condition.

Johnny Kilbane easily outfought Eddie Shannon in six rounds at Philadelphia. Kilbane had the best of every frame, scoring a knockdown in the third.

#### Basketball Scores

Phillips heavies 23, Parker 18.  
Hyde Park heavies 41, Calumet 15.  
Senn lights 12, Lane 9.  
Waller bantams 17, Harrison 8.  
Lewis 47, Lane College 28.  
Sinal Seniors 14, American Col. 7.  
Lightning A. C. 64, L. of Lour. 32.

Officers for the coming season will be elected tonight at the meeting of the Chicago Junior Baseball league in the Briggs house. Managers of clubs averaging 16 to 20 years are invited to attend. Registration of teams can be made with Sec'y Enders at the meeting.

Pierre Mauopome went into first place in the Interstate Three-Cushion Billiard league by defeating Chas. McCourt, 50 to 31, at Cleveland.

#### ANECDOTES OF PRIZE RING HEROES BY NOTED REFEREE

By Eddie Graney

(Great Among Great Referees)

The best man in the world and the surest judge of his opponent can't always tell what's going to happen when they hook up. This was in-